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Mr. David R. Gergen, Editor
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Dear Dave:

Thank you and Hank Trewhitt for your invitation to appear before the new U. S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT. I prefer not to do an interview now but will keep you in mind. Alternatively, should you wish to discuss any sources and methods problems on an "off-the-record" basis, or any possible misperceptions concerning the Agency that you may have swept up, we will arrange to get together.

I think it would be inappropriate to pose for a new picture for an article with which content and thrust I am totally unfamiliar. You should be able to find a suitable picture from among the large number you took the last time I appeared before you. I believe that the intervening period has not treated me that unkindly!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. Casey".

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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May 29, 1986

The Honorable
William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence
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Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

As George Lauder has probably told you already, U.S. News is working on an extensive story about the transformations that have taken place at the CIA under your leadership. While there are critics, we find that you also have a good number of admirers, and it is our sincere hope that we will present a balanced, objective story to our 12 million readers. Toward that end, two of the top editors of the magazine recently met with Mr. Lauder for lunch, and there have been a number of subsequent conversations with him.

All of us here are convinced that our treatment would be much better if it would be possible:

(a) to sit down with you in an interview, talking about what you have tried to do with the agency, its importance to the U.S., the role you envision for it in the future, etc.

As you know from past interviews with the magazine, we would provide you with a transcript that you could review for factual errors prior to publication.

(b) To arrange some special photographs of you at the agency (or elsewhere, if you prefer, though the agency site is our preference).

Our expectation is that, barring a major news development the preceding week, this story would be published on June 9. We are looking at it as a strong candidate for the cover.

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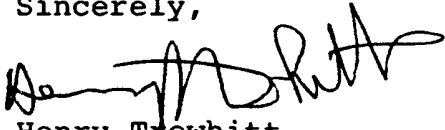
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In past years, this magazine has generally maintained a good relationship with you and with the agency because we try to play it straight up. It is our intention to uphold that tradition; we feel that an interview plus the photos would greatly assist in that regard.

Many thanks for your consideration.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,



Henry Trehitt
Deputy Managing Editor
for International Affairs

Sincerely,



David R. Gergen
Editor

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cc: Mr. George Lauder